46560. Allium triquetrum L. Liliaceæ.

From Algiers, Algeria. Bulbs presented by Dr. L. Trabut. Received September 18, 1918.

"Used by the natives as a vegetable. Resembles a leek. Plant the bulbs 8 inches apart and not very deep." (Trabut.)

46561 and 46562. Copernicia cerifera Mart. Phonicaceae.

Wax palm.

From Brazil. Presented by Mr. H. M. Curran. Received September 6, 1918. Quoted notes by Mr. Curran.

A palm 25 to 30 feet high with fan-shaped, rather finely cut leaves 2 to 3 feet in diameter. The wax is extracted by drying the leaves in the sun, when the wax appears in the form of a powder. The fruit is valued for hog feed. The trunks are extensively employed in building houses. (Note by *Dorsett*, *Shamel*, and *Popenoe*.)

46561. "Seeds from Pernambuco, Brazil."

46562. "Seeds from Bahia, Brazil."

For previous introduction and further description, see S. P. I. No. 37866.

46563. Oryza sativa L. Poacea.

Rice.

From Trujillo, Peru. Presented by Mr. A. Martin Lynch. Received September 13, 1918.

Seed of the 90-day rice known as *Italiano*. Introduced for the variety tests being carried on by the United States Department of Agriculture.

46564. ILEX PARAGUARIENSIS St. Hil. Aquifoliaceæ. Yerba maté.

From Cairo, Egypt. Presented by Mr. F. S. Walsingham for the director, Horticultural Section, Gizeh Branch, Ministry of Agriculture. Received September 14, 1918.

A small evergreen tree, native of Paraguay and Brazil, whose leaves are roasted and ground to make the Paraguay tea of commerce. (Adapted from Friderici, Tropenpflanzer, p. 776.)

For previous introduction with full description, see S. P. I. No. 43456.

46565. Avena sterilis L. Poaceæ.

Oats.

From Algiers, Algeria. Presented by Dr. L. Trabut. Received September 14, 1918.

"Variety culta. Several kinds in mixture." (Trabut.)

46566. Pyrus communis \times serotina. Malaceæ. **Pear.**

From Avery Island, La. Cuttings presented by Mr. E. A. McIlhenny. Received September 17, 1918.

"This pear originated in the orchard of Mr. E. A. McIlhenny, Avery Island, La. Mr. McIlhenny has a LeConte orchard, 8 or 9 years old, propagated from trees made from cuttings. The original trees from which the cuttings were taken have been lost. Eight trees in the LeConte orchard are of the new type